

Public Works Department,
8th October, 1883.

SIR,—One of the principal recommendations made by Mr. Chadwick in his report was the establishment throughout the town of Government free latrines for the use of the native population. The Earl of Kimberley in a Despatch to His Excellency Mr. Administrator Marsh also recommended the institution of free public latrines for the people, and Governor Sir George Bowen, who entirely concurs in the proposal, has referred the subject to the Sanitary Board.

2.—The Sanitary Board is unanimously of opinion that no sanitary measure will conduce more to the order, health and cleanliness of Chinese tenements than the wide establishment of free latrines for the people, and it therefore strongly urges the Government to adopt the proposition which in truth is nothing more than a repetition of an old scheme urged on Governor Hennessy in 1879, by the writer.

3.—The Sanitary Board finds, however, that the realisation of the project is attended by the serious drawback of undue expense in the acquisition of land to be purchased for latrine sites, and in this difficulty would recommend that a wholesale resumption of ground should not be made now, but that in preference, suitable sites should be bought from time to time, as they fall vacant, or as wholly-owners, until in course of time the whole town shall have attained the requisite number of free public latrines.

4.—It happens, however, that in several localities where the population is most dense, and where latrines are most needed, the Government still does possess small pieces of land that might be availed of for building on. A list of these sites is annexed, together with the cost of erecting suitable latrines upon them, and I am to recommend on behalf of the Board, that the Government set on hand the construction of six public latrines in the localities named at a total cost of \$17,700—this amount to be now advanced from ordinary revenue and to be refunded to the Colonial Treasury later on, from the Public Loan which it is contemplated to raise.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. M. PRICE,
Surveyor-General.

J. H. S. LOCKHART, Esq.,
Assistant Colonial Secretary.

STATEMENT REGARDING THE REMOVAL OF EXCRETA MATTERS, AND PUBLIC SCAVENGING, VICTORIA AND YAU-MATI.

For the privilege of removing Excreta matters from the City of Victoria for twelve months commencing from the 1st September, 1883, the Contractor to be Bidding will pay \$19,000.
For Scavenging the City of Victoria for 12 months commencing from the 1st September, 1883, the Government will pay Chiu Yuen-mat \$19,580.
For Scavenging Yau-mati, to Kyn 80 \$200.
..... \$19,500.
Amount to be voted for the current year \$5,810.
(Signed) J. M. A. SILVA,
11st August, 1883.

FREE PUBLIC LATRINES:

Proposed sites owned by Government Cost of erection.

1.—Over the Shaking-tail Nullah near the Old Works	\$1,000.00
2.—At Tippling-shan on the vacant ground opp. the Municipal Market	2,800.00
3.—On the triangular site near the Western market where formerly stood the public Whipping Post	2,000.00
4.—On the Fringe Central on the triangular shaped space opposite Marine Lot No. 43	2,000.00
5.—On the Rectangular Ground at Venchou's Marine Lot No. 112	7,000.00
6.—In the open space between Recreation ground at Pokoung Point	3,900.00
	\$17,700.00

(Signed) J. M. PRICE,
Surveyor-General.

THE SURVEYOR GENERAL TO THE COLONIAL SECRETARY.
Public Works Department,
16th October, 1883.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit herewith the enclosed schedule of damages done to the roads, streets, bridges and water works &c., of the Island and Kolowloon by three great storms of the 11th, 12th, and 13th September last.

2.—This assessment of damages, which is based on the schedule of prices in force in this Department, does not represent the whole of the destruction occasioned by the three storms, but as it would take a very long time to prepare a complete schedule, more especially in respect of the districts at the further end of the Island, I deem it preferable to submit the enclosed in an imperfect state rather than incur further delay.

3.—I may mention that although the three storms completely annihilated and effaced portions of the Shek O and Cape D'Aguliar Road, the restoration of this road, which was built from Light house funds and has always been considered an adjunct of the Cape D'Aguliar Establishment, is not included in the schedule, as I consider the matter has been sufficiently dealt with already in my letter of the 19th December 1882 (C.S.O. Number 4458, 1882).

4.—It may not perhaps be out of place to mention here, with reference to the opinions recently expressed in the Legislative Council and the Chamber of Commerce as to the advisability of reducing the light dues of the harbour on the ground that Lighthouse revenue exceeded Lighthouse expenditure, that any surplus which may exist will be found to some extent to have grown out of the policy that obtained from 1877 to 1882 of spending as little as possible on maintenance of Lighthouses, their roads or approaches. Of course a surplus is easily created in this way, but the day comes when restoration is insisted upon, and then the Government has to spend double to make up for the laches of previous economists.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. M. PRICE,
Surveyor-General.

The Assistant Colonial Secretary.

Schedule of cost of making good the principal damages caused by the three rainstorms of the 11th, 12th and 13th September.

IN VICTORIA.

Roads burnt and collapsed in the following Streets—

Battery Road	\$425
Ship Street	250
Alameda Street	274
Princess Street	50
Western Street	50
Nullah Lane	50
	\$600

Roads destroyed from the choking up of sewers and pipe holes—

Lower Lane	\$ 85
Willy Street	85
Ladder Street	50
Tai-ping-shan Street	150
Aung Wa Street	75
	75

Landscapes as follows—

Wanchai Road	\$100
Senior Road	125
Mary Hill	125
Canton Road	75
Hobson Road	250
South China Sea	50
In the Tyra about	500

Dredging sand and removing same from the Fringe-gut mouth of sewers in the following places—

Ship Street, Wanchai Lane	\$250
Nullah Lane	250
Nullah Lane	250

Catch waters above Rokkum Road destroyed and filled up with debris

Bonham Road, Channel torn off

Wong-nang-chong Road, sewer choked

Middle Street, road bed washed away

Douglas's Canal, Wharf at foot of hill, where water was retained three days

It is now a good land, better than it was before clear; it will cost

The foregoing represent only special or extraordinary damages. In the Town of Victoria suffered severely from their restoration has been defrayed from the Road and Street Contingencies.

KOWLOON.

New sewer, Egin Road, choked and burst

New Observatory Road destroyed

Inundation of public square at Yau Ma Tei, damage and removing sand

Minor damages at Yau Ma Tei

ROADS OUT OF VICTORIA.

Shek O Bridge swept away

Great landslide in Wong-nang-chong Road, entailing destruction of houses and shops

From the dangerous chasm which has been left, Minor landslip Stanley Road

" " " Stanley and Aberdeen Road

The road along the seashore from Pokfulam to Aberdeen, all washed down

Landslip, Wanchai Aberdeen Road

" " Aberdeen New Road

" " Kennedy Road

" " Victoria Peak Road

" " Mount Gough Road

Shankwin Road landslip

Shankwin Road landslip

Tyiam Tuk Road, bridge swept away

Landslip Pokfulam Road

TELEGRAPHIC.

Injuries to posts washed out and knocked down, lines destroyed, making good, as per Mr. Silva's Estimate

Cleaning out and repairing injuries to the following tanks and dams, all more or less damaged and left buried under sand and debris.

Naval dam

Mint dam

Ngai dam

Long-nang-chong dam

Richmond Terrace dam

Glenisland dam

Sikfikien River dam

Sikfikien River dam

Making good water main, washed out of the ground, and smashed

Total

(Signed) J. M. PRICE,
Surveyor General.

REPORT BY THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL.
The Assistant Colonial Secretary.

I have the honour to apply for the consent of the Officer Administering the Government to an application being made to the Finance Committee for the sum of £1,235 to defray the cost of laying a cable (telegraphic sub-marine) between Hongkong and Kowloon, to replace the old and defective one—laid some years ago, and which is now in such bad repair as to render it a waste of money to make mere patches to it.

The presence of the telegraphic ship *Sherdar Osborne* in the harbour for one day has been an opportunity to execute this work which may not occur for many months, and it was accordingly availed of.

(Signed) J. M. PRICE.
6th October, 1883.

CRICKET.

UNIVERSITIES AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS VS. THE
—REST.—

A match, twelve aside, between teams representing the above named contingents was commenced on the Cricket Ground yesterday afternoon. The weather was everything that could be desired for enjoyable cricket and the "old man" had selected a capital pitch. The non-descripts took first innings and some good play was shown, the Universities and Public Schools being treated to a rare dose of leather hunting, mainly through the exertions of Rice and Hynes, these two seasoned batsmen keeping possession of the wickets throughout the afternoon, and steadily retiring every 70 and 90 respectively, understanding to their credit a score book. At gunfire the privately educated ones were still in possession, having amassed the respectable total of 210 runs—with three wickets still to fall. There was a large attendance of spectators to witness the match, and proceedings were wonderfully enlivened by the presence of the band of the French flagship, *Victorieuse*, which, by the kind permission of Admiral Meyer and the officers of the vessel, played a choice selection of music in excellent style.

Shortly after two o'clock the two Commissariat players, who were assumed the defensive, D'Aeth and Lloyd being deemed to open the attack. Each batsman made three or four runs in his first essay, and the score was quickly raised to 44, when Hare, who had totalled half a dozen in the second ball of Lloyd's fourth over into the safe keeping of Jarrett. Bunbury had no sooner joined Rice than the left hander opened his shoulders and sent one from D'Aeth clean out of the ground for 5, and as the "Grand Old Buff" played up well, scoring a dozen in five balls, matters were pretty lively for the fielders.

When Bunbury appeared well set, he was included in sending one back to the bowler (D'Aeth) which was not considered to say, was gratefully accepted. Two for 17, Hynes was next man in and the stand of the last pair of the ball, causing numerous bowling changes to be resorted to, Porter, Hawkins, and Jarrett all having a turn, but without success. The total was increased to 177—140 having been put on during the fall of the previous wicket—when Lloyd clean bowled Rice, the retiring batsman having compiled 75—one 5, eleven 3's, &c.—by a beautiful display of cricket. Farquhar was now associated with the club run, but after scoring 3 he was sent back and Porter, after a few runs, also failed to stay, D'Aeth shattering his limbs after he had contributed a two and a single to the sum total. Five for 156. Plumble joined Hynes, and the old Cambridge player Wise took the ball from Jarrett. The new comer failed to score, and after Major Cochrane, assisted by Hawkins at square leg, sent the pair to the Pavilion with successive balls, the catch which dismissed Hynes being an excellent bit of execution for which Hawkins was deservedly applauded. Hynes had put us together 90—one 5, two 4's, seventeen 3's, three 2's and singles—by a fine class display of hard hitting. Hendry and Dr. Gamble kept their wickets intact until gun-fire, when the stumps were drawn for the night—the score register showing 210 runs for the loss of 8 wickets.

Play was resumed this morning shortly after 11 o'clock, Hendry and Dr. Gamble, the "not a good start" of last night, continuing their innings. A potshot was made, and, as the bowling was very weak at first, the conversation, runs came rapidly. Hendry was eventually hit out by Brackenbury, off Jarrett for a well played 20, and his partner had knocked up 21 before succumbing to a catch by a "Sub"—from the same power.—Sadler and Cottoll jointly added 23 to the score, when Hawkins bowed the first named, the innings closing for the formidable total of 174 runs. Wise was most successful in the bowling department, his three wickets only costing 34 runs. Jarrett had 3 for 67, Lloyd a for 40, D'Aeth a for 90 and Hawkin one for 7.

The Universities and Schools' made an exceedingly poor show, only Porter (25) and George (17) offering any effective resistance to the bowling of Hendry and Hynes. The eleven

A full report of the match will appear in our next issue. The scores are appended.

UNIVERSITIES AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Mr. J. W. P. Hines, b Henry	7	Mr. C. Bunbury, b Plumble	9
Mr. V. A. C. Hawkins, b Henry	7		
Henry		c Fanjuaht, b Plumble	9
Mr. H. E. Woodhouse, b Henry	7		
b Plumble		c Fanjuaht, b Plumble	9
Lieut. Porter, "Buff" b Henry	7		
Capt. Gordon, "Buff" b Henry	7		
Capt. b Henry	7		
Mr. A. G. White, b Henry	7		
Mr. H. P. White, b Plumble	7		
Mr. M. Vaughan, not out	7	b w, b Plumble	5
Capt. Drakenberry, c Cochran			
Mr. T. W. Fong, b Henry	7	c Hynes, b Plumble	9
Extras			
Total	92		

THE REST.

Mr. H. G. Rice, b Lloyd	75
Mr. P. S. Hale, c Jarrett, b Lloyd	6
Lieut. Bunbury, b Lloyd	12
Mr. H. Joyce, c Hawkins, b Wise	9
Mr. S. Farquhar, R.N., c Porter, b Jarrett	3
Mr. R. G. Grimes, b D'Almeida	3
Mr. A. G. Plumble, R.N., c Jarrett, b Wise	8
Major Cochran, c Hawkins, b Wise	5
Mr. J. C. C. Hendry, Adm. b Jarrett	23
Mr. A. Gamble, R.N., c Jarrett, b Wise	8
Mr. A. Sadler, b Hawkins	14
Dr. Cottell, not out	7
Extras	8
Total	974

**SHANGHAI AUTUMN MEETING,
1883.**

Stewards:—J. M. Ringier, Esq.; W. Paterson, Esq.; A. McLeod, Esq.; St. Michaelsen, Esq.; A. Myburgh, Esq.; W. Howie, Esq.; and F. D. Hitch, Esq.

(By Telegram.)

SECOND DAY.—FRIDAY, 2ND NOVEMBER.

The NORTHERN CUP, value, Tls. 100; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winner of the Maloo Palace, rolbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 5. Half-a-Mile

Mr. Ring's sptd. Dandolo, 10st. gblbs. (Mr. Meyerink) 1

THE SHANGHAI ST. LEGER, a Sweepstakes of Tls. 15 each, with Tls. 100 added; first pony to receive 75 per cent.; second pony to receive 15 per cent.; third pony to receive 10 per cent.; for China ponies that have never been raced previous to the 1st January, 1883; weight, 10st. 7lbs.; winners of one race, 5lbs. extra; two or more races, 10lbs. extra. One Mile and Three Quarters

Mr. Arthur's gr. Piccadilly, 10st. 12lbs. (incl. 5lbs. ex.). (Mr. Hutchings) 1

Mr. Toeg's sk. Herschel, 10st. 12lbs. (incl. 5lbs. ex.). (Mr. Bidwell) 2

Mr. Paul's gr. Hornpipe, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. Nickels) 3

Won by three lengths; a good third. Time min. 52 secs., which is the fastest on record for this Race. Prejudice's 3-54½ in 1880 being the previous best.—In the race for the Challenge Cup at the last Hong Kong Races over the same course, Driving Cloud won in a canter by five lengths in 3-35½. In the Exchange Plate the same pony covered both the first and last mile and three quarters of a two mile race in 3-50.

THE WELTER CUP, value, Tls. 100; for China ponies; winners in 1883, 7lbs. extra; weight, 11st. entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile.

Mr. St. Andrew's gr. Bandman, 12st. 0lb.. (Mr. Allan) 1

The SHANGHAI STAKES, a forced entry of Tls. 5 for all ponies entered at this meeting except those in the Hack Stakes; first pony to receive 75 per cent.; second pony; 15 per cent.; third pony, 10 per cent.; weight for inches as per scale.—Once Round.

Mr. Fung's gr. Rejoice, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. Pond) 1

THE LLAMA MIAM STAKES, value, Tls. 100; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners of one Race, 7lbs. extra; if two or more Races, 12lbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile.

Mr. Kelly's gr. Jessamine, 10st. 12lbs. (Mr. Reynell) 1

THE MONCOU CUP, value, Tls. 150; for China Ponies; being a side Gridins at date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; winners of a Race of more than a Mile, 7lbs. extra; penalties accumulative; entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile and a Half.

Mr. Godolphin's gr. Nectar, 10st. 9lbs. (Mr. Dunman) 1

THE AUTUMN CUP, value, Tls. 100; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. Three-Quarters of a Mile.

Mr. Paul's br. Sunlight, 10st. 9lbs. (Mr. Nickels) 1

THE SYCEE STAKES, value, Tls. 100 added to a Sweepstakes of Tls. 5 each; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners at this Meeting of a Race of One Mile and a Half or over, 7lbs. extra; two such Races, 10lbs. extra. One Mile and a Half.

Mr. Stephen's b. Oriole, 11st. 11lb. (Mr. Reynell) 1

THIRD DAY, SATURDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER.

THE COSMOPOLITAN CUP, value, Tls. 200; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners at this meeting of one race 7lbs. extra; two races, 12lbs. extra; three or more races, 15lbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 10. One Mile and Three-Quarters.

Mr. St. Vincent's b. Ambassador, 11st. 4lb. (Mr. Hutchings) 1

Mr. Mat. Dawson's ch. Newmarket, 11st. 11lb. (Mr. Nickels) 2

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(Signed) W. H. MEDHURST,
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1883.

ACCORDING to late advices from the North, the thieves who robbed Governor Bowen of his clothes and valuable note book in the Inn at Nankow are to be severely dealt with by the Chinese authorities. Possibly it will strike our readers, as it strikes us, as being exceedingly strange, that the pressing claims of our Canton friends who, through no fault of their own, have been burned out of "house and home" should altogether hang fire and be treated with the utmost indifference, while the difficulty raised by His Excellency's coat (or was it trousers?) and hat, which were lost while their owner was on a private journey, and in a place of public resort proverbial for such depredations, meets with such prompt adjustment. If our experiences of China and Chinese official customs are not at fault, we may confidently venture to predict that more heads will fall through Sir George Bowen's inexcusable carelessness at the Nankow Inn than will be deemed necessary to appease an offended government and satisfy an outraged foreign community for the worry, excitement and cost entailed by the Canton riots. Under all the circumstances, we consider that the Governor would have acted sensibly and displayed greater magnanimity if he had made some energetic endeavours to stay a cruel and altogether unnecessary application of Chinese law in connection with such a paltry matter as the loss of his wearing apparel and note book. Likely enough his soft hearted Excellency will retire into his study and weep copiously when particulars reach this colony of the full measure of punishment meted out to the unfortunate. When we are accused, rightly or wrongly, of "annexing" the gubernatorial raiment and note-book; but a deluge of "crocodile tears" will be but poor amends to the miserable victims and their friends and relatives. Travellers to Nankow and the Great Wall will, if we mistake not, have reason to remember for years to come the loss of Governor Bowen's garments and note book, in the curses, execrations and thinly veiled hostility of the Chinese in the neighbourhood.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

AN Emergency Lodge of United Service No. 341, will be held in Freemason's Hall, Zealand Street, this evening, at 8 o'clock precisely.

THE telegraphic line between Haiphong and Hanoi is almost finished, and that between Hanoi and Nam-dinh will be commenced immediately.

WE hear from Manila that the British ship *G. C. Truxtun* has been floated safely off the shore at Palawan Island. She arrived in Manila yesterday.

WE are informed by the acting agent of the P. and O. S. N. Co., that the English mail steamer *Nepaul*, with the outward mail, left Singapore for this port this morning at 8 o'clock.

WE are glad to learn that a new Fire Brigade station, with No. 4 manual engine, has been established specially for the higher levels of the city, at No. 51, Hollywood Road.

WE learn from reliable Chinese sources that China desires to refer the matter of the Franco-Chinese *embroglio* to an international congress of the various nations in treaty with the Celestial Empire, and it is said that the Marquis Tseng has been advised to take effect.

A CORRESPONDENT informs the *Mercury* that some troops, stationed at present at Chinkiang, will shortly be despatched from that port to Canton. They are under the command of H.E. Wang Chui-Tang, and are to be sent south to strengthen the garrison at Canton.

NOW that His Excellency the Governor has returned, it is rumoured that Mr. W. H. Marsh, the Colonial Secretary, will shortly take a brief holiday. Dr. Stewart, the Registrar General, will probably act as Colonial Secretary during Mr. Marsh's absence from the colony.

THE French transport *Avignon* left Saigon on the evening of the 25th ultimo for Tonquin, and the *Shamrock* left the day following for the same destination. These two vessels together carried 1500 troops, and a battery of artillery, as reinforcements for the French army in Tonquin.

BEGINNING from the 1st of November, the mail service between Saigon and Haiphong will be doubled, and the departure of the steamers from Saigon will take place the day following the arrival of the mail from France. The Tonquin budget will furnish the funds necessary to meet this additional expenditure.

A SPECIAL telegram from Shanghai informs us that Ambassador, winner of the last Hongkong Derby, and the property of a well-known local sportsman, who races under the name of Mr. S. Vincent, and Mr. Mat. Dawson's Newmarket ran a dead heat this afternoon in the one mile and three quarters Cosmopolitan Cup. In the final heat Ambassador won in a cable.

IN an interview which Mr. Challeme-Lacour had with the Marquis Tseng, he called the latter's attention to the attacks of the *Chinese Gazette*, and the "war cries" which it made in each of its issues. The Chinese Ambassador replied that the *Chinese Gazette* was not subsidised by his government.

WE note the arrival to-day, per steamer *Glunagles*, of Mr. James Parker, first clerk at the Magistracy, who has returned from a year's leave of absence in England. Judging from his appearance, his sojourn in the old country would seem to have vastly improved him both as regards health and vigour.

SAYS the Shanghai *Mercury* of the 31st ult.—The first batch of policemen, who were ordered by our Municipal Council from home, arrived here to-day per *s.s. Ajax*. They number four and are well picked men. They are the first who will have to stand the test that a European can live in this country decently on \$40 a month. The Council can hardly expect them to deposit more than that amount monthly, in the Police Saving Bank, at 6 per cent, without suspecting them of acting dishonestly.

OUR latest advices from Haiphong state that Dr. Harmand, the Civil Commissioner for the French Republic in Annam and Tonquin, will shortly proceed home on leave. In all probability he has been recalled in consequence of the notorious differences between the civil and military authorities which led to General Bouet's retirement, and which that gallant officer went specially to Paris to lay before the Government. Admiral Courbet will assume the supreme direction of affairs in Tonquin.

A CORRESPONDENT at Chinkiang, writing to the *Shanghai Courier* on 26th instant, says—The *Tao Tsung-tang* returned here from Shanghai on the morning of the 25th instant. The *Peking* was saluted at 9 p.m. on the 24th by the Forts on Silver Island, but it was not till 1 or 2 in the morning of the 25th that would-be sleepers were suddenly awakened by the thunder of guns all round of the genuine salute. *Tao* has now gone up the Grand Canal in a small steamer to inspect the repairs that are now being made to the banks of the Grand Canal at Shao-po, etc. Some of these works are superintended by our excellent *Tao-tai*, who spends an undue proportion of his time over this work, allowing in the meantime foreigners' affairs to be somewhat overlooked.

THE French Transports, the *Bien-Hoa* and the *Tonkin*, under orders to transport fresh troops to Tonquin, left Toulon for Algiers on the 25th of September last. The former of these vessels will there embark a battalion and a half, composed of 600 men, 51 officers and 12 horses, and will then immediately steer for Tonquin. The other transport will embark half a battalion at Algiers, from which place it will go to Bonai (or Bona) to embark a full battalion, and from thence will, like the *Bien-Hoa*, proceed immediately to Tonquin. These troops, which form a brigade of "the line" will be placed under the command of a Colonel. The two transports will return to France as soon as they have landed the troops and the material for the expedition. The *Sarthe* and the *Dordogne* left Toulon for Tonquin on the 1st and 10th ultimo respectively.

SIR JAW BONE, we beg pardon, His Excellency Sir George Bowen, has evidently formed a new higher opinion of his own importance since the celebrated interview with Li Hung-chang, for since his return to this colony—so we are credibly informed—he has made strenuous efforts to be made "Patron" of the Hongkong Race Meeting, the position of Steward, which has hitherto been held by successive Governors, apparently not being considered sufficiently dignified for his exalted position. We are exceedingly sorry to hear of this worthy official placing himself by his Quixotic notions in such an unfavorable light before the community. Governor Bowen, it seems, has yet to learn that nothing in Hongkong is carried on by gentlemen in every way His Excellency's social equal, who decline to concede the superiority so absurdly and fantastically claimed, and who, moreover, do not require the patronage of Sir George Bowen, or of any other person, however exalted. The subscribers to the Race Fund, under whose auspices our annual races are carried out, were under the impression they were doing His Excellency honor and paying him a high compliment when they elected him a Steward at the meeting held a few weeks ago. If it be true that Governor Bowen does not look upon it in that light, and considers himself entitled to dignity so much out of place in company with Admiral Wills, General Sargent, C.B., Commodore Cumming, Colonel Hobson, Mr. Ryrie, Mr. Bulkeley Johnson, Mr. Sassoon, Mr. Forbes, Mr. Reiners, and other distinguished officers and gentlemen—why, then, His Excellency has an alternative ready to his hand. We appear to have entered on a reign of official and social pretension which promises to become absolutely sickening.

MANY residents must have been disagreeably aroused from their slumbers at hearing the fire bells ring out at about 3.30 this morning. It was but a trifling affair, however, simply a bamboo shed, situated immediately above Robinson Road near the base of the hill, where several buildings are in course of construction, which caught fire and blazed up for a short time, quickly falling a prey to the devouring element, and becoming utterly demolished. A lot of planking is stacked at the spot, and the fire communicated itself to the ends of several of these, causing them considerably, but beyond this the destruction of the shed, no further damage was done, if we except the burning of a door of an out-house in the adjoining compound—which belongs, we believe, to Mr. Granville Sharpe—to which the fire extended itself. The planks, we understand, belong to Mr. Ho Kai. The shed was occupied by coolies engaged on the building being erected there, and it is conjectured that "loss pligin" was the cause of the blaze. The coolies cleared the region unknown immediately after the fire broke out, and it is doubtful whether they will ever turn up again. A few of the Government and Hongkong Fire Brigade were quickly on the spot, and did what they could to save the planking as far as possible by the application of sundry buckets of water to the smouldering ends, and removing those in closest proximity to the blazing debris. The Superintendent of the Fire Brigade arrived on the scene shortly after 6 o'clock, in full uniform, save the head-dress, which consisted of a seedy looking black hat, resembling the one worn by the Chinese, and he, too, with heavy good will to arrest the smouldering of the planking, personally carrying buckets of water and gracefully sprinkling the ends, reminding us strongly of a market gardener watering cabbages. Upon our way up we encountered a fire engine, or a manual—we are not sure which, as we were in too great a hurry to take much notice, thinking we were in for a big thing—at which a lot of Celestials were tugging to get up the incline leading from Bridges Street to Caine Road, but we verily believe they never got the locomotive beyond Bridges Street, and that in all probability it is there yet. We confess we feel rather disgusted at having been called up from a sound sleep, and having had to accomplish an exhausting ascent on an empty stomach, to witness such a paltry, contemptible affair as that of this morning.

THE French frigate *Volta*, and the ironclad *Trojan*, from Shanghai, were both at Chefoo on the 26th ult.

H.B.M.'s surveying vessel *Flying Fish* left Shanghai for Hongkong, to await the arrival of her relief, on the 30th ult.

TWELVE of the subscription griffins for the Hongkong Races were shipped on board the steamer *Footscarg* on the 31st ult.

It is reported in the colony that Mr. W. M. Deane, Superintendent of Police, now on leave, has been offered the Colonial Secretaryship of Fiji, and that it is not likely he will return to Hongkong.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held yesterday afternoon, when there were present: His Excellency Governor Bowen, Chief Justice Sir George Phillips, Mr. W. H. Marsh (Colonial Secretary), Mr. E. L. O'Malley (attorney general), Mr. A. Lister (Colonial treasurer), Mr. J. M. Price (surveyor general), Dr. F. Stewart (Registrar General), and Messrs. P. Ryrie and F. Bulkeley Johnson (unofficial members).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and duly confirmed.

PROPOSED REFORMS.

Governor Bowen—Hon. gentlemen of the Legislative Council, as you are already aware, I have strongly recommended that the unofficial members of your body should be increased in number, so that the community at large may be more adequately represented in the Colonial Legislature. The official correspondence which I now lay before you will show how far the Secretary of State for the Colonies has adopted my recommendations. You will perceive that, in the future, there will be five instead of only two unofficial members; and that two of those five will, as a general rule, be appointed on the nominations of the Chamber of Commerce, and of the Bench of Justices of the Peace. I shall make the new appointments, and I shall summon the re-constructed Council to meet for the despatch of business, so soon as I shall receive Her Majesty's Order in Council, giving me formal authority for this action—that is, in the course of five or six weeks from the present date. A considerable number of legislative measures and of public works will be proposed during the ensuing session. Full information respecting these proposals, and respecting the financial condition of the Colony, will be contained in the address which I intend to open the session. And now, hon. gentlemen, in taking leave of the Council as at present constituted, I desire to express my deep sense of the loyal support which I have always received from you, and of the benefits which you have conferred on the Colony by your constant and enlightened attention to your public duties.

Mr. Ryrie—I consider it my duty to express to your Excellency the gratitude of the unofficial members of the Council and the community generally for the efforts, which have been so successfully concluded, for reforming this Council on the basis which you have proposed. I think it will be a benefit to the colony in many ways. It will enable your Excellency to ascertain perhaps more fully than was the case in former days the ideas of the various sections of the community; and it will also be of assistance to your Excellency in dealing with matters of finance. I have sometimes thought that at meetings of the Finance Committee the addition of a few more members of the community who are outside the official circle would be of considerable advantage. There are also many other ways in which I think the change you propose to make, and which has the approval of the Secretary of State, will be a boon to the Colony.

FINANCE.

The Colonial Secretary moved the adoption of certain payments in excess of the estimates of 1883, which had been passed by the Finance Committee but required legislative authority. The most important items were \$1,065.80 as the salary of the assistant Colonial Secretary and assistant auditor general from August 6th to November 30th; \$1,083 salary of land surveyor at \$2,500 per annum; \$816.82 in connection with the quarantine ground at Stonecutter's Island; \$600 for removing noxious matter from the city of Victoria and Yau-ma-ti from 16th Sept to 31st December; a supplementary vote of \$3,000 for repairs to buildings; \$604 for the erection of a matchless in the quarantine service; \$400.60 for carbolic acid from Singapore; \$300 for preparing site and making rifle range for the police and volunteers at Kowloon; \$17,700 for the construction of six public latrines; \$11,832 for repairs done to roads, streets, bridges, water-works &c.; rendered necessary by the storms of 11th, 12th, and 13th September; \$1,000 gratuity to the widow and children of the late Mr. Geo. Tomlin; and \$1,235 for the cost of a marine telegraph cable between Hongkong and Kaulung. In briefly dealing with these votes, Mr. Marsh explained with regard to the item for scavenging, that while the Government paid \$10,000 per annum for scavenging, the contractor paid exactly the same amount to the Government for the privilege of removing excrement matter, the two accounts thus balancing. A report from the Surveyor-General explained how the original vote of \$12,000 for repairs to buildings had been insufficient. From this it would be seen that an additional wing to Mountain Lodge had entailed an outlay of \$800, \$200 was spent in renovating Crosby's Store, and \$1,000 laid out in taskwork to be stored for future use in government works. Another report from Mr. Price referring to the \$17,700 voted for public latrines was also on the table. From this it would be seen that a system of free latrines throughout the colony had been strongly recommended by Mr. Chadwick, and his recommendations, having been approved, others would be erected where suitable sites could be secured. Mr. Marsh also explained that the presence of the telegraph steamer *Stern* in the harbor for some days had enabled the government to replace the old and defective cable between Hongkong and Kowloon by a new one at a cost of \$1,235.

The Colonial Treasurer seconded the motion authorizing the votes, and it was unanimously agreed to.

This concluded the business.

PROPOSED LOCAL POLITICAL REFORMS.

The following correspondence respecting proposed alterations in the constitution of the Executive and Legislative Councils of Hongkong, was laid on the table: the meeting of the Legislative Council held yesterday afternoon, by command of His Excellency the Governor.

Government House, Hongkong, May 14th 1883.

My Lord,—In my despatch No. 50 of the 4th instant, I stated that it would shortly be my duty to submit, for your Lordship's consideration, certain urgently required amendments of the defects in the political constitution of the Colony, which now produce much official inconvenience and much public discontent.

I may mention that during the last four years I have carefully studied the proper methods of constituting the Executive and Legislative Councils in Crown Colonies, and that I recommend for adoption at Hongkong the leading principles which Her Majesty's Government have sanctioned at Mauritius and Ceylon.

1.—It will, perhaps, be convenient that I should in the first place request your Lordship's attention to my reply to a recent deputation from the Chamber of Commerce at Hongkong, in which I have briefly explained my views as to both the financial and the political position of this Colony. The reply was as follows:—

(This has already appeared in our columns.)

2.—I hope to address your Lordship before long, and in full detail, on the financial condition and prospects of this community. In this present despatch I propose to confine myself to an explanation of the reforms in its political constitution which are required for the purpose of removing the mischievous and irritating anomalies which now exist; of placing the Executive and Legislative Councils of this Colony on a footing of equality with those bodies in other Crown Colonies; and of securing at once greater concord and efficiency in the Administration of the Government, and the weighty support of enlightened public opinion.

3.—First, with regard to the Executive Council, I would observe that, on my first arrival here, I found that this body, during several years past, has been summoned to meet only at long and uncertain intervals. In all other Colonies with which I am acquainted, whether possessing Parliamentary Government or belonging to the class of Crown Colonies, it is the rule that there shall be an ordinary meeting of the Executive Council on one stated day in every week. I forthwith directed the adoption of this rule; and my Executive Council now meets every Wednesday. It will be recollected that the Queen's Instructions contemplate that every Governor shall consult his Executive Council on all matters of importance, although in Crown Colonies he is not under the obligation of following their advice. Moreover, it is very desirable in the interests of Her Majesty's service, that the Representative of the Queen should know the views of the chief local Functionaries, and should maintain with them those cordial personal relations which alone produce efficient co-operation.

4.—In Hongkong the Executive Council now consists of (1) The Governor, (2) The Officer Commanding the Troops, (3) The Colonial Secretary, (4) The Attorney General, (5) The Surveyor General, who is also director of Public Works. So far as I am aware, this is the only Colony in which the Treasurer, who is (so to speak) the Minister of Finance and Trade, and the Chancellor of the Colonial Exchequer, is excluded from the Executive Council; and I recommend that this anomaly, which causes great official inconvenience, should cease. I further strongly recommend that the Registrar General, the *ex-officio* Protector of the Chinese, who form the overwhelming majority of the population, should have a seat in the Executive Council. The confidence of the Chinese in the Government would thus be increased. Moreover, there is scarcely any Government question in this community which can fall to affect, directly or indirectly, the Military, the Revenue, the management of the Public Works, and the interests of the Chinese. I submit that it is therefore evident that the General Commanding, the Treasurer, the Surveyor General, and the Registrar General should form part of the Executive Council, so that they may be present to give information respecting their several Departments; together with the Colonial Secretary, who advises respecting the general administration, and the Attorney General, who advises respecting the legal points that arise in connection with all the departments. Among other advantages, the personal presence of the chief Heads of Departments avoids the necessity of a mass of official correspondence, which, as experience has too often shown, has a strong tendency, especially in small communities, to degenerate into personal controversy.

5.—There are other aspects in which this subject should be considered.

(a.) In a tropical Colony, it is simply impossible for Englishmen to work as they can work in the temperate climate of England, or of Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. Further, it will be recollected that in many tropical Colonies there are no holidays, save those of British India, which enable our high Indian Officials to live throughout the year in a temperate by which their energies are not injuriously affected. At Hongkong, on the contrary, it is absolutely necessary at all times for the preservation of the lives of the English Officials, that they should be allowed periodical leave of absence. Consequently, it is always probable that two or more of the members of the Executive and Legislative Councils may be away from the meetings owing to illness or absence from the Colony. In past years it has sometimes been found difficult to secure a quorum of the Executive Council when it consisted of only four or five members. Seven Members (including the Governor), as proposed by me, are certainly not too many to secure the constant presence of the quorum required by the Queen's Instructions.

(b.) My long experience and that of other governors, teaches us that it is expedient, in a high degree, that the Official Members of the Legislative Council in a Crown Colony should, as a general rule, have seats in the Executive Council. These gentlemen are the best persons to support the measures of the Government, or else to resign their offices, like the members of the Ministry in Colonies possessing Parliamentary Government. It is, consequently, only just and convenient that they, like Ministers elsewhere, should be in a position to understand thoroughly the views of the Government, and to hear fully discussed and settled in the Executive measures which they are called upon to support in the Legislative Council.

(c.) It should be provided that, during the absence of any one of the Official Members of the Executive or Legislative Council, his temporary *locum tenens* should not necessarily be specially summoned by the Governor. It is obvious, for example, that the chief clerk or chief assistant of the Treasurer, or Surveyor General, though competent to carry on temporarily the ordinary work of the department, might not be qualified for admission to the Executive and Legislative Councils.

(d.) The position of the Chief Justice of Hongkong is exceptional, inasmuch as he is already a member of the Legislative Council. The presence of the Chief Justice in the Legislatures of this and of other Colonies, has often led, here and elsewhere, in former years to much inconvenience. But I would not recommend the disturbance of the existing arrangement at all events during the tenure of the office by the present able and judicious Chief Justice (Sir George Phillips). At the same time, the wide distinction between Executive and judicial position and duties properly excludes him from the Executive Council.

8.—To sum up for the reasons stated above, and for other reasons which might be adduced, I recommend that the Executive Council of Hongkong shall, for the future, consist of the following members:

- (1) The Governor (President).
- (2) The Officer Commanding the Troops.
- (3) The Colonial Secretary.
- (4) The Attorney General.
- (5) The Treasurer.
- (6) The Surveyor General.
- (7) The Registrar General.

9.—Secondly, with regard to the Legislative Council, all here agree that there are two conspicuous and inconvenient anomalies in its present constitution.

(a.) The General Commanding the Troops on this station, though admitted to the Executive, is excluded from the Legislative Council, contrary to the rule which obtains in all other Crown Colonies. It appears that the General in the early years of this Colony was a member of the Legislature. I have caused diligent search to be made in the official correspondence, and I am assured that no reason was ever assigned for his subsequent exclusion under the Queen's Instructions now in force. It seems probable that this exclusion may have arisen from some clerical error or inadvertence, especially if we regard the strange inconsistency that the General, though excluded at his Headquarters at Hongkong, yet a member of the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements whenever he proceeds to inspect the Troops also under his command at Singapore. It is, at all events, certain that there is no even plausible reason for this flagrant anomaly in a Military Station which has been called "the Gibraltar of the East." As it has been already remarked, almost all legislation here cannot fail to affect the Military, directly or indirectly; so that the exclusion from the Legislature of the General Commanding is alike unjust and inconvenient for the proper and speedy despatch of public business. Moreover, this exclusion has proved the main source of the bitter official controversies and personal dissensions which have frequently sprung up in former years, between the Civil and Military Authorities, much to the prejudice of the Queen's Service and of the interests of this Colony. We all know that when gentlemen are in the habit of meeting at the same Council-table, they usually manage either not to differ materially, or to adjust their differences in a friendly spirit. If I do not adduce further evidence in support of the above argument, it is merely because it is so obvious as scarcely to require proof. I am confident that your Lordship will agree with me that the General Commanding should be restored to his proper position in the Legislative Council.

(b.) Of the four (so-called) Unofficial Members of the Legislature, two, *i.e.*, the Registrar General (Mr. Price), and the Surveyor General (Mr. Price), are really paid officials of the Government. The Attorney General (whose opinion I enclose) has pointed out that, in the existing terms of the Queen's Instructions, it is imperative that Mr. Stewart should be counted as an Unofficial Member. I am confident that this anomaly was not brought to your Lordship's notice when the Registrar General was recently added to the Legislative Council. For it need scarcely be said that the nomination of two salaried Officials as Unofficial Members is a device which deserves no other name than that of a trick. In this community, which naturally expects to have a fair proportion of independent Representatives in the Legislature, it has indeed been remarked, with much truth, that it would have caused less general irritation here to have abolished the Unofficial element altogether than to have filled with Officials two of the four places reserved for Unofficials according to the real intention of the Queen's Instructions. "Colonists," it has been said "like other men, will submit more readily to a wrong than to a proceeding which they regard as an infringement of their just privileges, as an insult to their understandings." Here again it would appear that there must have been somewhere error or inadvertence. For no plausible reason can be assigned for the proceeding in question. It certainly cannot be alleged, with any show of truth, that it was necessary for the object of keeping the control of the Legislature in the hands of the Colonial Minister in England. For the Governor already had a decisive majority of Official Members, and need not reckon his original and casting votes. Moreover, it is confident that your Lordship will agree that this anomaly also should cease.

10.—As it is proposed that three new members, *i.e.*, the General Commanding, the Surveyor General, and the Registrar General, should be added to the Official element, I submit that it is proper that at least two new members should also be added to the Unofficial element in the Legislature. There would be thus eight Official and six Unofficial Members; the Governor, of course, retaining (as has been stated above) his original and casting votes.

11.—With regard to the six Unofficial Members, I submit that the principle of nomination, which has worked successfully in Ceylon, should be sanctioned here. The two leading public bodies at Hongkong, comprising an adequate representation of the intelligence, the education, and the property of this community, are the Chamber of Commerce and the Bench of Justices of the Peace. I propose that in the Legislature of the Colony, two of the six Unofficial Members should be, as a general rule, appointed on the recommendation of the Chamber of Commerce, and one on the recommendation of the Justices of the Peace. One more should certainly be a member of the Chinese community, as representatives of the native communities have for many years past held seats in the Legislatures of British India, Ceylon, New Zealand, and the Straits Settlements. Indeed, it might be proper to place two Chinese in the Legislature if the Chinese community were already represented by the Registrar General. Moreover, I have always held that the Governor, as the Representative of the Queen, is bound to protect impartially the interests of all Her Majesty's subjects of every race. Of course, the final appointment would continue, in every case, to rest absolutely with the Governor, subject to the approval of the Crown; but the partial introduction of the system which has worked successfully elsewhere would take away the injudiciousness of selection from among many candidates of equal claims and merit, who open and confer many of the advantages without any of the disadvantages of popular election; which is, for obvious reasons, impracticable in a heterogeneous community, circumstanced as is that of Hongkong.

12.—My experience teaches me that the Unofficial Members of the Legislature in Crown Colonies should hold office, not for life, but for a period of six years, each member being eligible for re-appointment, if it be so deemed advisable by the Governor and by the Crown. It has been found in Mauritius and elsewhere that while promotion and retirement cause frequent changes among the official members, the unofficial members are often liable to stagnation, and to long sympathy; influence, and what is military phrase is called "touch," with the community at large.

13.—There is another important point which should now be considered. I stated above that the Chamber of Commerce comprised the principal body of all the mercantile community, including the Chinese. There is in the Chamber of Agriculture, because Agriculture is not so largely a feature of the colony, and the Justices of the Peace are now 25 in number, including three Chinese.

(a.) On my arrival here I found that the practice for some years past had been to summon the Executive Council to meet only at rare and uncertain periods; and that, for the reasons assigned, I had conformed to the custom in force in all other Colonies, by directing a meeting to be held on a fixed day in every week;—of course, without prejudice to extraordinary meetings whenever the exigencies of the Public Service should so require. I have now to report that I find that the practice here, equally at variance with that of the other Colonies, has been to summon the Legislative Council also at rare and uncertain intervals; and that, subject to your Lordship's approval, I have directed that, here as elsewhere, there shall, (as I stated) be a regular annual session, beginning in November, at the commencement of the cool season; again, of course, without prejudice to extraordinary sessions whenever they may be required. While I was Governor of Mauritius, I introduced in that Colony, with the sanction of the Imperial Government, and greatly to the public advantage, the system of an annual session and an annual recess. I found that there, as here, the work of the Legislature had been carried on in a somewhat lax and haphazard fashion. I propose that during each recess the business of the ensuing session shall be carefully prepared by the Governor and the Executive Council. Each annual session, here as elsewhere, will be opened by the Governor with a short address, containing a programme of the Legislative and other business to be taken in hand; full explanations as to the reasons for proposing every new Ordinance and measure; and a general view of the social and financial condition of the Colony. The Legislature will thus be accurately informed of the requirements of the public service, and enabled to afford the Government effective assistance in settling its financial and general policy. Again, here as in all other Colonies, each annual session will be closed by an address from the Governor, summing up the proceedings of the annual session, and the general condition and prospects of the Community. There can be no sound reason why the Legislature and Public of Hongkong should not enjoy the same advantages of being officially made acquainted with the views and intentions of the Government, as are enjoyed by the Legislature and Public of every other Colony.

14.—To sum up once more, for the reasons stated above, and for the other reasons which will readily occur to all men experienced in Colonial Administration, I recommend that the Legislative Council shall be composed in the future of 14 members, *viz.*—

- 1.—Official, (8.)
- 2.—The Governor (President).
- 3.—The Officer Commanding the Troops.
- 4.—The Chief Justice.
- 5.—The Colonial Secretary.
- 6.—The Attorney General.
- 7.—The Treasurer.
- 8.—The Surveyor General.
- 9.—The Registrar General.

Of these 6, two should be appointed, as a general rule, on the recommendation of the Chamber of Commerce; one on that of the Bench of Justices of the Peace;—while one should be nominated for 6 years, but should be eligible for re-appointment.

15.—I have consulted the members of the existing Executive and Legislative Councils respecting the proposals submitted in this despatch, and they have all signified their cordial assent. The voice of the community at large is equally unopposed in favour of the proposed amendment of the constitution of this Colony. If the plan of reform now submitted for your Lordship's consideration should meet with your approval, it will undoubtedly have the effect of removing much official inconvenience, and much public dissatisfaction; it will secure for the Government and the Legislature the valuable aid and weighty support of the intelligence and property of the Colony; and it will powerfully strengthen the hands of the Governor in carrying out the views of Her Majesty's Government.—I have, &c.

G. F. BOWEN.

The Right Honourable The Earl of Derby, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, &c., &c., &c.

(Enclosure in Despatch No. 62 of 1883.)

MEMORANDUM BY THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Article 22 of the Queen's Instructions to the Governor provides for the constitution of the Legislative Council, which is to consist of the five persons following to time, lawfully discharging the functions of—

1. Chief Justice.
2. Colonial Secretary.
3. Colonial Treasurer.
4. Auditor General.

There will be also, the then existing four Unofficial Members, or others to be appointed in their place, with the proviso that Unofficials are never to be more than four in number.—

At present there are three Unofficial members—

1. Mr. Price (Surveyor General).
2. Mr. Ryrie.
3. Mr. Johnson.

and there is room for a provisional appointment to fill the fourth seat. It is only by filling that seat that the Registrar General (Mr. Stewart) can sit in the Council, according to its present constitution, for until the Governor receives fresh instructions under the Queen's Sign Manual.

HONGKONG, 15th July, 1883.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO THE GOVERNOR.

Dowling Street, 7th August, 1883.

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Despatch No. 62 of the 14th of May, proposing certain alterations in the constitution of the Executive and Legislative Councils of Hongkong.

2.—After full consideration of the circumstances of the case, I have of opinion that the Executive Council of seven members would be unnecessarily large, and that the Office of Treasurer, which is generally united with another office, and has a salary of only nine hundred and sixty dollars (\$960) a year, should not be specified as conferring a seat in that Council.

3.—In other respects, I approve generally your proposals with regard to the Executive Council, and the necessary instrument shall be prepared for adding the present Registrar General to the Council, and the Registrar General to the Executive Council of seven members would be unnecessarily large, and that the Office of Treasurer, which is generally united with another office, and has a salary of only nine hundred and sixty dollars (\$960) a year, should not be specified as conferring a seat in that Council.

4.—I may explain that a principal reason for this decision has been the fact that the Officer Commanding Her Majesty's Military Forces is not under the same obligation as is incumbent upon the Civil Officers to support the measures of the Government; and if he should feel it his duty to act in accordance with his own judgment, to speak or vote against any such measure, the opposition of an Officer holding so high a position would be a serious hindrance to the Government.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 552.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1883.

SIX DOLLARS
PER QUARTER.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING
NEW GOODS.

FENDERS and Fire-irons,
New Fire-guards and Coal Vases,
Kerosine Cooking Stoves,
Hinks' "Duplex" Table Lamps in new designs,
New Folding Lamp Shades,
Linen "Dagmar" Shades,
"Saratoga" Trunks and Ladies' Dress Trunks,
Travelling Bags and Hold-alls,
Despatch Boxes and Portfolios,
New "Slider" Playing Cards,
"Moguls" and "Squeezers" Call Bells,
Scrap Books, New Office Sundries,
Christmas Cards in New Prize Designs,
Menu and Name Cards,
Porcelain Menu Tablets,
Artists' Materials and new Canvases,
Air Beds and Cushions, New Cutlery,
Christy's Felt-Hats in New Shapes and Colours,
Ellwood's Felt-Hats on Cork,
Cricketing Caps and "Tam-o-Shanter" Caps,
Tennis Sets, Tennis Bats, Tennis Balls,
Cricket Bats, Balls and Stumps,
Guns and Sportsmen's Sundries,
Cope's Tobacco, Fresh Golden Cloud,
Fresh Birdseye and Mixture,
Mentha and Peppermint Cigars,
New Saddlery, Whips and Fly Switches,
Curry Combs and Brushes,
Saddles and Saddle-cloths.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 25th October, 1883. [340]

C. L. THEVENIN,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT,
HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDINGS,
HAS FOR SALE.

A FINE ASSORTMENT
of
WHITE AND RED
BURGUNDIES,
GRAND HERMITAGE,
CHAMBERTIN,
POMMARD,
RICHEBOURG,
CHABLIS,
Plants and Quarts.
OLD PORT,
SHERRY,
WHISKEY,
COGNAC,
ASSORTED
LIQUORS AND SYRUPS,
PERFUMERY,
&c., &c., &c.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1883. [780]

Insurances.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).
CAPITAL TAELS 500,000, EQUAL \$813,333.33.
RESERVE FUND.....\$70,858.27.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., CHU CHIK NUNO, Esq.,
LO YUOK MOON, Esq., CHU CHIK NUNO, Esq.,
MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at
CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.
HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1882. [670]

THE Undersigned have been appointed
AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD
of UNDERWRITERS.
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

RECORD of AMERICAN and FOREIGN
SHIPPING.
Agents,
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, 15th June, 1881. [470]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.
(CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000).
The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.
WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [106]

YANGTSE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up).....Tls. 430,000.00
PERMANENT RESERVE.....Tls. 210,000.00
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND.....Tls. 318,333.33
TOTAL CAPITAL and
ACCUMULATIONS 31st
March, 1883.....Tls. 958,333.33

DIRECTORS.
F. D. HITCH, Esq., Chairman.
C. LUCAS, Esq., W. MEYERWITZ, Esq.,
A. J. M. INVERARY, Esq., G. H. WHEELER, Esq.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Secretaries.

LONDON BRANCH.
Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.,

BANKERS.
RICHARD BLACKWELL, Esq., Agent,
68 and 69, Cornhill, E.C.

POLICIES granted on MARINE RISKS to all
parts of the world.
Subject to a charge of 12 per cent. for interest
on Shareholders' Capital, all the PROFITS of the
UNDERWRITING BUSINESS are annually dis-
tributed among all Contributors of Business (who-
ever Shareholders or not) in proportion to the
premium paid by them.
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th May, 1883. [83]

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

M. R. J. M. GUEDES has received instruc-
tions from the MORTGAGEE to Sell by
Public Auction, on

MONDAY,
the 5th November, 1883, at Two O'CLOCK P.M.,
at the Premises,

A VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
SITUATED IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.

HOLLYWOOD ROAD,
Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong.

Comprising—
All those Pieces or Parcels of GROUND Regis-
tered in the Land Office as Subsection
No. 1 of Section A of INLAND LOT No. 90,
and Section C of INLAND LOT No. 90

with the Messuages or Tenements thereon
being Nos. 83, 85, 87, 89, 91 and 93, Holly-
wood Road, as the same Premises are held
for the residue of a term of 75 years and for
the further term of 924 years subject to the
payment of the due proportions of the rents
and let the performance of the Covenants
and Conditions reserved by and contained in
the Crown Lease of the whole of the
said Inland Lot No. 90, and the extension
thereof.

The Property is sold subject to the existing
lettings thereof respectively.

For Further Particulars of the Property and
Conditions of Sale, apply to
BRERETON, WOTTON, & DEACON,
Solicitors for the Mortgagee,
Hongkong,

or to
J. M. GUEDES,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1883. [785]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
from the MORTGAGEE, to Sell by Public
Auction, on

THURSDAY,
the 8th November, 1883, at THREE P.M., at the
Premises, all that

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,
KNOWN AS THE
TUNG HING THEATRE,
Situate in Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong,

Comprising—
All that Piece of GROUND registered as
INLAND LOT No. 705, and measuring on
the North 100 feet, on the South 100 feet,
on the East 200 feet, and on the West 200
feet, and containing in the whole 20,000
square feet.

Together with the Theatre known as the
TUNG HING THEATRE and all the other
erections and buildings thereon. Held for
the residue of a term of 999 years at the
Yearly Crown Rent of \$66.12.

For Further Particulars of the Property and
Conditions of Sale, apply to
SHARP, TOLLER, & JOHNSON,
Solicitors for the Mortgagee,
Hongkong,

or to
J. M. GUEDES,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, 26th October, 1883. [805]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions
from the MORTGAGEE to Sell by Public
Auction, on

MONDAY,
the 12th November, 1883, on the Spot—
The Parcel of GROUND registered in the Land
Office as SOWKIWAN LOT No. 109,
measuring on the North and South 50 feet,
East and West 150 feet or 7500 square feet.
Yearly Crown Rent £3.8.10. Held for 999
years from 16th January, 1860.

For Terms of Sale and Particulars, apply to
J. M. GUEDES,
Auctioneer,
Hongkong, 1st November, 1883. [817]

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, MEXICAN
DOLLARS current in this Colony weighing
7.17, in Exchange for BILLS drawn ON
DEMAND on the GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
CALCUTTA, will be received by the CHIEF PAY-
MASTER, Army Pay Department, until 11 NOON,
on MONDAY NEXT, the 5th instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required
(in Rupees), and the amount for which each Bill
should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for
sums below Rs. 10,000.

The Tenders to be in duplicate in sealed
covers, addressed to "The Chief Paymaster,
Army Pay Department," and endorsed "Tenders
for Government Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all the
Tenders is reserved.

A. S. MURRAY,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Chief Paymaster.

TREASURY CHEST OFFICE,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1883. [823]

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE
YEAR 1882.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested to
send in to this Office a List of their Con-
tributions of Premium for the year ended 31st
December last, in order that the proportion of
Profit for that year to be paid as Bonus to Con-
tributors may be arranged. Returns not sent in
before the 30th November next, will be made up
by the Company, and no subsequent claims or
alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1883. [673]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A SECOND and FINAL BONUS of Five
per cent. on Contributions and a DIVI-
DEND of EIGHTEEN DOLLARS and TWENTY-
NINE CENTS per SHARE for the year 1882, will
be Payable on MONDAY, the 22nd instant.

Warrants may be had on application at the
Office of the Society on and after that date.
By Order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1883. [794]

Intimations.

SAYLE & CO'S
SHOW-ROOMS.

NOW SHOWING EX S.S. "GLENFRUIN."

FIRST DELIVERY OF CHRISTMAS TOYS,
WRITING CASES, WORK BOXES,
PLUSH FRAMES, JEWEL CASES,
&c., &c., &c.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's KID GLOVES in all colours and sizes.
FUR LINED KID GLOVES.
DRIVING GLOVES.

CLOTH GLOVES and MITTS.
Ladies' and Children's HOSIERY, suitable for the present Season.
FURS & FUR TRIMMINGS in great variety.

TO ARRIVE PER S.S. "GLENCAIG."

SPECIALITIES IN CHRISTMAS CARDS.

SAYLE & CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1883. [730]

ROSE & CO.

HAVE JUST OPENED.

NEW BLACK, AND COLORED SILKS.
FRENCH BROCHE GAUZES.
COLORED SILK VELVETS AND VELVETEENS.
STAMPED VELVETS AND VELVETEENS.
BLACK VELVETS AND VELVETEENS.

BLACK & COLORED CASHMERES.
CASHMERE, SILK, AND BEADED JERSEYS.
BOYS' JERSEY-SUITS.

ALSO
KID AND SUEDE GLOVES.

THE NEW JERSEY SUEDE GLOVES.
LACES, FEATHERS, FLOWERS, &c.
LADIES' FELT HATS.

PARIS MILLINERY AND TRIMMED HATS.
MANTLES, FISHUS AND CHENILLE CAPES.
&c., &c., &c.

ROSE & Co.,

31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1883. [716]

KELLY & WALSH
HAVE JUST LANDED.

FRESH TOBACCOS.

EX "AJAX."
COPE'S GOLDEN CLOUD.
COPE'S STRAIGHT CUT.

EX "GLENFRUIN."
WILLS' BRISTOL BIRDS EYE.
WILLS' THREE CASTLES.
WILLS' GOLDEN FLAKE HONEY DEW.
WILLS' PRINCES MIXTURE.
WILLS' BEST SCOTCH.
WILLS' SCENTED RAPPÉE.

FROM SHANGHAI—
HAPPY THOUGHT.
GOLDEN EAGLE.
DOLLAR BRAND.
STAR MIXTURE.

NOVELTIES IN FANCY AND FASHIONABLE STATIONERY.
THE CROCODILE LEATHER NOTE PAPER & ENVELOPES.
THE RUSSIA LEATHER PAPER & ENVELOPES.
THE MOROCCO LEATHER PAPER & ENVELOPES.
THE CRUSHED STRAWBERRY NOTE PAPER & ENVELOPES.
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S CARDS,
A VERY FINE ASSORTMENT OF
THE CHOICEST AMERICAN AND ENGLISH PRODUCTIONS.

KELLY & WALSH.

Hongkong, 24th October, 1883. [560]

W. BREWER.
HAS JUST RECEIVED.

SWEET CAPORAL CIGARETTES.
HALF CAPORAL CIGARETTES.
FULL CAPORAL CIGARETTES.
SULTANA CAPORAL CIGARETTES.
GOLDEN CLOUD TOBACCO.

ACCOUNT BOOKS IN GREAT VARIETY.

GEMS OF DANCE.
WALDEUFEL ALBUM.
MUSICAL FAVORITE.
SUNSHINE OF SONG.
SILVER WREATH.
LA CREME DE LA CREME.
ROBERT FRAUN'S ALBUM.

SCOTTISH SONGS.
MOORE'S IRISH MELODIES.
GERMAN SONGS.
SILVER CHORD.
MUSICAL TREASURE.
SHOWER OF PEARLS.

NEW FANCY STATIONERY IN GREAT VARIETY.
THE POLYOPTICON.

W. BREWER.

QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 6th October, 1883. [784]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE LOFTUS TROUPE.
THE LOFTUS TROUPE!!
THE LOFTUS TROUPE!!!

NOTICE.

THE Agent of the above Company having
arrived by French Mail from Yokohama,
begs most respectfully to inform the public, and
"THEIR PATRONS," of Hongkong that owing to
the great and unprecedented success of the
Company in Shanghai and Yokohama, the
Management have been persuaded to POS-
TONE THEIR SEASON here until about the
22nd or 25th of this month, and that they will
then have the honor of appearing for the first
time in Hongkong in
GILBERT and SULLIVAN'S CELEBRATED, AND
WORLD RENOWNED COMIC OPERA

PIRATES OF PENZANCE
OR
"THE SLAVE OF DUTY."

As performed by this Company for over 200
times in the chief cities of Australia, India,
Africa, China and Japan.

NEW AND APPROPRIATE SCENERY BY
C. J. BARBER.
Correct Costumes and Artistic Properties.

For further Particulars please see future
Advertisements.

PRICES:
Dress Circle and Stalls.....\$2.00
Pit.....\$1.00

SUBSCRIPTION TICKETS.
Dress Circle or Stalls, 12 Nights.....\$20.00

In the Subscription series no piece will be
presented twice.

Box-plan now ready at Messrs. KELLY &
WALSH'S.

BARTLEY O'BRIEN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1883. [822]

Notices of Firms.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has resumed charge as
SECRETARY of the Society.
By Order of the Board,
N. J. EDE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 29th October, 1883. [812]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents of the CHINA SHIPPERS'
MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COM-
PANY, LIMITED.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, 19th October, 1883. [786]

NOTICE.

FROM this date Messrs. RUSSELL & Co.
will conduct our Business at this Port, and
all Communications should be addressed to them.
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co. will also act as Agents
at this Port for our line of Steamers.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1883. [606]

To be Let.

TO LET.

"FAIRLEA," BONHAM ROAD.
Offices and Compradore's Quarters in
MARINE HOUSE.

No. 19, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, now occupied
by Messrs. FRANKLIN HORNBY & Co. Posses-
sion from 16th January, 1884.

Apply to
E. R. BELLIOS.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1883. [820]

APARTMENTS TO LET,
IN
ELGIN TERRACE.

FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED
ON
MODERATE TERMS.

Apply to
X. V. Z.
At the Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1883. [818]

TO LET.

THE Upper Portion of the Eastern Wing of
BAKTER HOUSE, containing 4 Large
Rooms, Bathroom, &c., Water laid on and every
convenience, Furnished or Unfurnished. Terms
Moderate.

For Particulars, apply to
D. B.
Care of Hongkong Telegraph Office.
Hongkong, 12th October, 1883. [771]

TO LET.

"STOCKWELL COTTAGE," near to the
Kowloon Club, British Kowloon, con-
taining Four Rooms and Large Centre Room,
Servants' Rooms and Out-houses, Gardens and
Tennis Lawn, &c. Within Three Minutes Walk
of the Pier.

For Particulars, apply to
STEPHENS & HOLMES,
Sole Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1883. [713]

TO LET.

THE PREMISES now occupied by us
No. 11, Queen's Road Central.
For further Particulars, apply to Messrs.
RUSSELL & Co.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1883. [607]

TO LET.

"BISNEE VILLA," Pokfulam, Furnished.
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 18th October, 1883. [7]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE
DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

THE Steamship
"LIBAN."

Labie, Commander, will sail on or about
the 7th November, for MARSEILLES,
via SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, and SUEZ; and with leave to call at
PENANG and TUTICORIN. In connection
with these Steamers the Company runs a Line
from MARSEILLES to HAVRE and LONDON,
leaving MARSEILLES after arrival of the
Steamer from CHINA.

The Company also runs Steamers regularly
from MARSEILLES to numerous Ports in the
MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA, by
which through freight may be booked.

The Company has a Forwarding Agency at
Paris, 9, Rue de Rougemont, giving special
facilities to Shippers.

Each Steamer carries a Surgeon and
Stewardess.

The Line is noted for its Cuisine and Beer
and Table Wines are included in the Passage
Money.

RETURN TICKETS are now granted by the
Steamers of this line available for the
undiscounted periods, to be reckoned from
the date of arrival at Marseilles of the Steamer
for which the Ticket is issued to the date of
re-embarkation there of the Holder of the
Ticket.

Special rates are arranged for families.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th October, 1883. [754]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. British Ship
"CHARLES-BAL."

Watson, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1883. [744]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. German Ship
"OTTO."

Fortmann, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1883. [819]

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. German Ship
"GUSTAV & OSCAR."

Seemann, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch